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	United States of America	Ms. Soderberg

Agenda

International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States

Letter dated 8 July 1998 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/1998/640)

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The meeting was called to order at 1.15 p.m.

Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States

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The President (*interpretation from Russian*): The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda. The Security Council is meeting in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations.

Members of the Council have before them document S/1998/640, which contains the text of a letter dated 8 July 1998 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council regarding the nominations which have been received for judges to the Trial Chambers of the International Tribunal for Rwanda. In this connection, the members of the Council will note the information contained in the Secretary-General's letter and the proposal which the Secretary-General makes therein that the Council extend the deadline for nominations for judges to the Trial Chambers of the International Tribunal for Rwanda until 4 August 1998.

Members of the Council also have before them the draft of a letter which I, as President of the Security Council, would propose to send to the Secretary-General in reply to the aforementioned letter. In the absence of objection, I shall assume that the Security Council endorses the proposal of the Secretary-General and agrees that I should send the letter as drafted to the Secretary-General.

It is so decided.

The reply will be issued as a document of the Council under the symbol S/1998/646.

The Security Council has thus concluded the present stage of the item on its agenda. The Council remains seized of the item.

The meeting rose at 1.20 p.m.